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School of Law establishes one of country's first environmental health programs

1993

School of Medicine researcher develops beta interferon to treat multiple sclerosis

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School of Pharmacy becomes first East Coast school with all-PharmD program

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School of Nursing initiates Governor's Wellmobile Program

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## Pharmacy School Expansion, Collaboration Among Goals for New Dean

JEFFREY RAYMOND

Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, an alumna of the School of Pharmacy, became dean of the School on Aug. 1. A professor at the School and previously chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Eddington is a nationally renowned expert in pharmacokinetics—the movement of drugs among the cells of the body.

She was chosen for the dean's post following a nationwide search to replace David A. Knapp, PhD, who retired recently as dean after leading the School to national prominence during his 18-year tenure.

"I am delighted to have Dr. Eddington aboard as our new dean," says David J. Ramsay, DM, DPhil, University president, who announced Eddington's appointment July 2. "The School of Pharmacy is deepening its commitment to leadership in education and research, and Natalie has proven herself as a first-rate teacher, researcher, and administrator."

Eddington's work has been supported by funding from the National Cancer Institute, the National Institute of Mental Health, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Food and Drug Administration, and the pharmaceutical industry. As department chair, she guided the launch of the Center for Nanomedicine

and Cellular Delivery, where researchers are working to find innovative ways to provide pharmaceutical treatment. This year, the center, housed in the pharmaceutical sciences department, became the first Organized Research Center at the School of Pharmacy.

As dean, Eddington says she plans to advance education and research by fostering collaborations among disciplines.

Eddington's goals for the School include increasing fundraising and the use of distance learning to enlarge the number of students the School can accommodate. She also wants to build on the School's record of leadership in community service, research, and health care delivery. "We're going to set the standards," she says.

Eddington is overseeing the School's expansion to the Universities at Shady Grove this fall. In order to meet Maryland's growing demand for pharmacists, the School will enroll 40 first-year students at Shady Grove each fall in addition to the 120 students who typically begin instruction each year at the Baltimore campus. The Shady Grove students will complete their four-year pharmacy education at the Rockville campus.

Eddington has a lengthy history of achievements and honors. She graduated summa cum laude



ROBERT BURKE

Natalie D. Eddington

with a bachelor's in pharmacy in 1982 from Howard University. She earned a PhD from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 1989 and, after working as assistant director of new drug development at Pfizer Inc., she joined the pharmacy school faculty in 1991.

Eddington was appointed director of the Pharmacokinetics/Biopharmaceutics Laboratory in 1999, and became chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2003.

"I'm proud that I rose through the ranks at the School of Pharmacy, from graduate student to faculty member, then to department chair, and now dean," she says.

Awards won by Eddington include the National Women of Color All Star Award in 2006 during the National Women of Color in Technology Conference, and a Mentor Recognition Award from the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society in 2005.

## Hippodrome Gala to Kick Off Founders Week

CHRIS ZANG

Founders Week is taking on a new look this year, and it will be apparent right from the start.

The annual black-tie gala will kick off rather than culminate the weeklong celebration, which honors the accomplishments of the University's professional schools and its graduate school. And the Tuesday, Oct. 9, event will take place at a new venue: the historic Hippodrome Theatre.

A sellout crowd of 700 is expected for the gala, which will kick off the University's \$500 million capital campaign.

This year's recipients of the annual Founders Week Awards,

which will be presented at the gala, are: Public Servant of the Year—Robert Barish, MD, MBA, professor and vice dean for clinical affairs at the School of Medicine; Entrepreneurs of the Year—Gary Hack, DDS, Dental School associate professor and director of simulation research, and Leonard Litkowski, DDS, Dental School associate professor; Teacher of the Year—Robert Percival, JD, MA, professor and director of the Environmental Law Program at the School of Law; and Research Lecturer of the Year—J. Marc Simard, MD, PhD, School of Medicine professor.

See page two for updated event information.

## Charity Campaign Sets Half-Million-Dollar Goal

CHRIS ZANG

When Dave DeLooze, the University's assistant director of operations and maintenance, became chair of the campus' Maryland Charity Campaign (MCC) seven years ago, he had a dream.

"Ever since I saw one of those fundraising thermometers filled to the half-million mark, I've wanted that for us," says DeLooze, a University employee since 1976.

And that will be the goal as the University's MCC campaign begins in early fall. DeLooze's can-do attitude helped lead the University to raise \$468,000 last year for MCC, exceeding its target by more than \$40,000. The University won the Governor's

Cup Award last year for having the highest per-capita giving to MCC, and it has been the No. 1 contributor to the campaign for several years, DeLooze says.

MCC is an annual program in which state employees and retirees make donations to charitable organizations through payroll deductions or one-time gifts. Contributions can be designated to specific charities or may be placed in a general pool.

"Some people even donate stocks and bonds. We'll take whatever you are giving," DeLooze says with a smile. More than 750 charitable organizations working in a variety of areas benefit from MCC funds.

See **MCC** on page 5

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE



David J. Ramsay

Welcome to the beginning of academic year 2007-2008, the 200th anniversary of our birth. Even as we are faced once again with some operating budget challenges, I am delighted at the progress we continue to make.

First, let me congratulate the School of Pharmacy not only for increasing enrollment and expanding to the Shady Grove campus to help meet state and national shortages of pharmacists, but also in welcoming one of our own faculty, Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, as its new dean. Natalie has indeed grown up at Maryland, and I am sure she will fill brilliantly the leadership role that her predecessor, Dean David A. Knapp, PhD, filled so ably and so well.

Next, let me congratulate the School of Medicine for bringing into its midst not one but two world-class institutes, the Institute of Human Virology and the Institute for Genome Sciences.

The Institute of Human Virology, or the IHV as we have all learned to call it, was created about 10 years ago by the internationally known Robert Gallo, MD, School of

Medicine professor and IHV director, as a partnership between the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) and the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute (UMBI). Administratively housed in UMBI in its earlier life, the IHV grew and prospered, but it had reached the point where split-reporting responsibilities and duplicative administrative processes had the potential to hamper its further growth.

With the endorsement of the Board of Regents, the IHV was moved to the medical school and already is paying huge dividends. Just a few weeks ago, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced that under Dr. Gallo’s leadership the IHV had won a \$15 million grant. This occurred only a few weeks after the IHV’s AIDS Care and Treatment Project (ACTION), under ACTION director and School of Medicine Professor William Blattner, MD, received a \$43 million grant from the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (see related story, page 3). I am delighted to welcome Robert Gallo and his colleagues to UMB.

No sooner had we announced the creation of the IHV as the medical school’s first

institute than the Institute for Genome Sciences (IGS) came into being. Led by Claire Fraser-Liggett, PhD, formerly the president and director of The Institute for Genomic Research and a leader in the effort to sequence genes of various microbial organisms, the IGS has the potential to transform basic and clinical research in comparative genomics.

These truly exceptional appointments exemplify the success and rapidly growing reputation of all of our schools and programs. With externally sponsored research approaching \$400 million annually, we are desperately in need of new research space. While Health Sciences Facility III is in the planning stages, the funding needed to construct and equip the building—estimated at upward of \$385 million—has not yet materialized. We have asked the state of Maryland, the Board of Regents and the chancellor, and the business and philanthropic community to help us solve this difficult conundrum.

With support from all sectors, we look forward to an enriching new academic year.

Several Major Construction Projects Well Under Way

CHRIS ZANG

Students and faculty away on summer break are returning to a campus that looks a bit different then when they left. Here are updates on some University construction projects:

Administration Building

Adhering to an aggressive construction schedule, much of the outer shell of the six-floor concrete building on the north side of the campus, in the 600 block of West Lexington Street, is complete and the project is proceeding toward its September 2008 completion.

The building will house many of the University offices formerly in the Lombard and 111 S. Greene St. buildings, which were demolished last year to make way for a new University of Maryland Medical System facility. The Graduate School, the Division of Budget and Finance, and the offices of Academic Affairs, External Affairs, Human Resource Services, and Research and Development will be among the administration building’s occupants.

BioPark Building Two

The six-story brick structure at 801 W. Baltimore St. is open for business after recently receiving a certificate of occupancy from Baltimore City.

The University’s newest entity, the School of Medicine’s Institute for Genome Sciences, will move into BioPark Building Two along with life science corporate



An artist’s rendering of the new administration building

tenants during the first quarter of 2008. The building is expected to be fully leased by the end of 2008. Pre-built lab and office suites in the BioAccelerator are proving to be especially popular with new, high-growth research companies, says Jane Shaab, assistant vice president of economic development in the Office of Research and Development.

With 218,000 square feet, Building Two is nearly twice the size of Building One, which opened in October 2005. Proposals to develop Building Three have been accepted.

Campus Center

Foundation work is progressing on the new five-story, brick and glass, 146,000-square-foot campus center on the south end of the University, in the 600 block of West Lombard Street.

When finished, the new campus center—which will replace the current student center, located in a small building on Pine Street—will include meeting and lounge spaces, food services, a ballroom with seating for 280 people, and athletic facilities including a swimming pool and an elevated running track.

Nursing Informatics Conference Is Nation’s Largest

PATRICIA ADAMS

More than 600 people, including participants from the United Kingdom, Canada, Taiwan, and Australia, attended the School of Nursing’s 17th Annual Summer Institute in Nursing Informatics (SINI), held at the School in July. The conference—the largest of its kind in the nation—is for nurse managers and executives, nurses who interface with information systems departments, informatics nurses and specialists, managers of nursing information systems, and informatics educators. Some attendees are new to informatics, and others are experts in the field.

Nursing informatics is a specialty that combines nursing science and computer science. High-tech nurses known as informatics specialists apply information technology (IT) to solve problems in direct patient care, administration, education, and research. The School of Nursing created the world’s first master’s program in nursing informatics in 1988.

In his presentation “Transforming Health and Care: Health Information Technology Approaches the Tipping Point,” Robert Kolodner, MD, national coordinator for health information technology at the Department of Health and Human Services, said health information technology will help the U.S. address “a burning platform in health care in both the quality arena and in the cost arena.”

“In the quality arena, we are experiencing unnecessary deaths every day, and in the cost arena, we are not getting the value for our dollar. We have an aging population, we are living longer, and health care costs increase dramatically as we grow older. Health IT will help providers work smarter.”

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FOUNDERS  
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**Faculty Research Lecture.** “Sweet Life—New Role for Sulfonylurea Receptor 1,” delivered by J. Marc Simard, MD, PhD, Research Lecturer of the Year. 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, Davidge Hall. A cocktail reception will follow. Free but tickets are required. Tickets are available through deans’ and vice presidents’ offices or online.

**Entrepreneur Presentation and Breakfast.** 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, Dental School, ground floor. Free but tickets are required. Tickets are available through deans’ and vice presidents’ offices or online.

**Student Cookout.** 4:30-6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, Nursing School courtyard. Free but tickets are required. Tickets are available in student affairs offices, campus bookstore, HS/HSL or online.

**Staff Luncheon.** 11:30 a.m. or 12:20 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12, Westminster Hall. Free but tickets are required. Tickets are available by contacting the Office of University Events at 6-8035 or online.

More information on Founders Week events is available by visiting <http://founders.umaryland.edu> or by calling the Office of University Events at 6-8035.

# University Fundraising Again Breaks Record, Passes \$65 Million

Fundraising during Fiscal Year 2007 has generated nearly \$65.3 million for the University, surpassing last year's then-record total of \$60.6 million by 8 percent and exceeding the goal for FY07 by 5 percent.

More than \$19 million was raised in June alone, the final month of the 2007 fiscal year.

"Once again, we set an ambitious fundraising goal and once again, we exceeded it," says T. Sue Gladhill, MSW, the University's vice president for external affairs, and president and chief executive officer of the University of Maryland Baltimore Foundation, Inc. The foundation enlists financial support for the University.

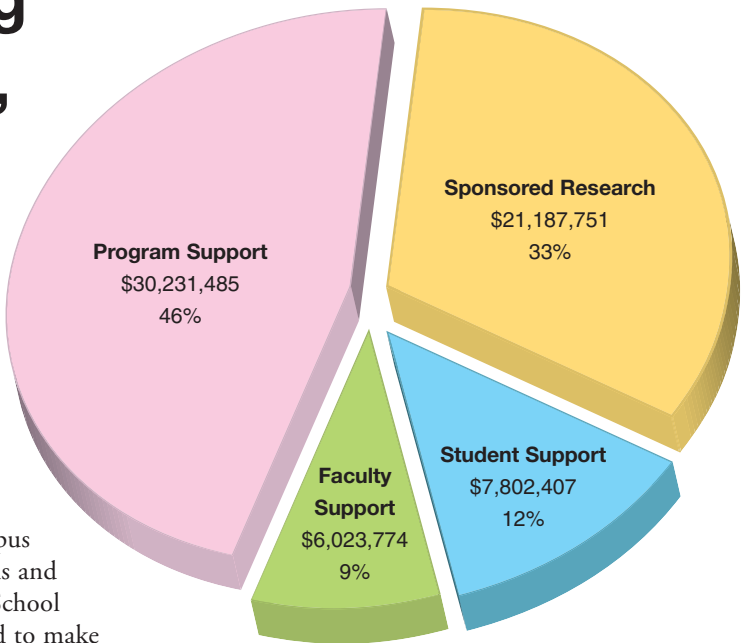
The total for FY07 includes money raised through each School's fundraising efforts. The School of Law raised \$6.4 million, exceeding its goal by 36 percent. The Dental School and the School of

Medicine also surpassed their goals.

"The University's continuing fundraising success is due to the efforts of the campus development teams and everyone at each School who works so hard to make sure that we obtain the resources needed to maintain our high research and academic standards," says Mary Campion, MA, associate vice president for development and alumni relations.

Sixty-seven percent of the funds support academic programs, including scholarships and faculty positions (see pie chart).

"State funding covers less than 20 percent of the operating budget for UMB,"



The graph above shows a breakdown of the designation of Fiscal Year 2007 gifts.

says Gladhill. "Consequently, philanthropic support is one of the few sources of revenue where we have significant growth opportunity."

## Grants Fund HIV Vaccine Research, Nigerian AIDS Care



From left: Martin O'Malley, Robert Gallo, and E. Albert Reece, at the announcement in Annapolis of a \$15 million grant for HIV/AIDS vaccine research.

TIMOTHY MCCOY

Gov. Martin O'Malley announced during the summer that a \$15 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will support research at the School of Medicine's Institute of Human Virology (IHV) to further develop a promising HIV/AIDS vaccine candidate created by IHV. Early studies have shown potential for the vaccine to provide broad protection against HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

The five-year grant is part of the Gates Foundation's Collaboration for AIDS Vaccine Discovery, an international network of research consortia focused on accelerating the pace of HIV vaccine development. The announcement came during a news conference at the Statehouse in Annapolis.

"I want to thank the Gates Foundation for funding this research, and Dr. Gallo for his important work to help us make AIDS a thing of the past," O'Malley said. Robert Gallo, MD, who co-discovered HIV as the cause of AIDS and developed the first HIV blood test, is the director of IHV and a professor in the School of Medicine's Department of Microbiology and Immunology.

"Our ultimate goal is a vaccine that will prevent HIV transmission," says Gallo. "In early studies, this vaccine has already demonstrated that it has promise to produce an immune system response to various HIV strains. We are very happy that the Gates Foundation is supporting our efforts."

"I want to acknowledge the superb work by IHV's Tony DeVico and George Lewis, which has brought us this far on the vaccine," says Gallo.

HIV's ability to mutate rapidly into numerous strains has long frustrated efforts by the medical research community to develop an effective vaccine.

"The School of Medicine congratulates the Institute of Human Virology on this strong vote of support from the Gates Foundation," says E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA, the University of Maryland's vice president for medical affairs, John Z. and Akiko K. Bowers Distinguished Professor, and dean of the School of Medicine. "This prestigious grant again underscores how the institute continues to fulfill its mission of turning cutting-edge research into real benefits for people in need."

IHV has also received a \$43 million grant from the President's Emergency Plan

for AIDS Relief to further the institute's AIDS Care and Treatment in Nigeria (ACTION) project. The grant will provide care and treatment for 48,000 patients and expand HIV-testing and counseling to an additional 100,000 Nigerians. Nigeria ranks third in the world for total number of people infected with HIV.

"The work being done now in Nigeria is extraordinary," says Gallo. "This new award enables us to reach even more people who need the care and treatment provided by our institute's experts. We are very proud of our Nigerian staff and of Dr. Blattner, who directs ACTION." William Blattner, MD, is associate director of IHV, director of the institute's Division of Epidemiology and Prevention, and a professor at the School of Medicine.

ACTION focuses on antiretroviral therapy and the development of patient-care support activities, and emphasizes the need for patients to adhere to instructions for taking medications. Relying on partnerships with established medical clinics in Nigeria, ACTION has helped Nigeria develop its own expertise in providing long-term solutions to the country's HIV/AIDS epidemic.

"In Nigeria, the lives of more than 500,000 people who need immediate treatment depend on the dedication of the IHV team that works tirelessly to expand services," Blattner says. "Seeing the patients who have returned to healthy lives inspires our staff to continually adapt innovative strategies."

Since its inception in 2003, ACTION has placed more than 30,000 Nigerians on therapy, has provided more than 38,000 pregnant women with HIV preventive services, has tested more than 84,000 Nigerians for HIV, and has given basic care and support to more than 40,000, including nearly 5,000 children.

"The School of Medicine is proud to embrace the work of the Institute of Human Virology in Nigeria and around the world," says Reece. "Such a program ties the citizens of Baltimore to a worldwide community that demands the best of medical care as exemplified by the mission of the School."

### UMB IN THE NEWS

Research is flourishing in the **Dental School's** Department of Biomedical Sciences, which last year received \$10 million of the \$14 million that the School received in outside research money. An article in *The Daily Record* in Baltimore cited **Christian S. Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent**, dean of the School; **Ronald Dubner, DDS, PhD**, department chair; and professor **Renty Franklin, PhD**.

*Time* magazine looked into the legality of the military tribunals to determine the fate of Guantanamo Bay detainees. Congress' silence on the issue was criticized by **Michael Greenberger, JD**, a professor at the **School of Law** and the director of the **Center for Health and Homeland Security**.

While 49 U.S. medical schools offer joint MD/MBA programs, according to the Association of American Medical Colleges, the **School of Medicine's** developing program will be the first in Maryland. **E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA**, the University of Maryland's vice president for medical affairs, John Z. and Akiko K. Bowers Distinguished Professor, and dean of the School of Medicine, and second-year student **Kyle Hatten** spoke about the program with *The Daily Record* in Baltimore.

*The Sun* in Baltimore reported in "How Green Is My Campus" that meetings at the **School of Nursing** now feature organic food, often served on recyclable plates with soy-based utensils. Also, graduate student **Denise Choiniere, RN**, has implemented a new hospitalwide battery disposal program.

University faculty wrote four of the 10 essays in "Taming a Violent City," a recent section in *The Sun* in Baltimore. From the **School of Social Work**, **Richard P. Barth, PhD, MSW**, dean, wrote "Helping Families," and **Tanya Sharpe, PhD, MSW**, assistant professor, penned "Teaching Behavior." **Douglas Colbert, JD**, professor at the **School of Law**, called for "Building Bridges," and **Anthony Tommasello, PhD, MS**, associate professor in the **School of Pharmacy**, offered suggestions on "Treating Addiction."

In an education-supplement article in Baltimore's *The Sun* about careers as addictions counselors, **Llewellyn Cornelius, PhD**, a professor at the **School of Social Work**, and **Carmen DeMatteo**, a student at the School, talked about the complexity of substance abuse and the School's substance abuse program, which emphasizes fieldwork.

*The Baltimore Business Journal*, *The San Antonio Business Journal*, and *The Daily Record* and *The Examiner* in Baltimore reported that the University is putting out requests for proposals for construction of **Building Three** of the **BioPark**.

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## LAURELS

### DENTAL SCHOOL

**John Sauk, DDS, MS**, formerly the associate dean for research administration and training, and chair of the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and Pathology, has been named the dean of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry.

### SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

**Cedric Yu, DSc**, professor, has been awarded the School’s Carl M. Mansfield, MD, Professorship in Radiation Oncology. The professorship was presented to Yu during a ceremony this summer in the Health Sciences Facility II lecture hall.

### SCHOOL OF NURSING

**Brenda Afzal, MS, RN**, project manager in the School’s Environmental Health Education Center, has been appointed to the board of directors of the Children’s Environmental Health Network, a national multidisciplinary organization that promotes protection of children and fetuses from environmental health hazards.

**Suzanne Feetham, PhD, RN, FAAN**, visiting professor, was one of seven nurse researchers to receive an award for distinguished contributions to family nursing research during the recent International Family Nursing Conference in Bangkok, Thailand.



**Sandra Picot, PhD, RN, FAAN**, associate professor, has been awarded fellow status—the highest class of membership—in the Gerontological Society of America.

### SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

**Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner, PharmD**, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, has been elected vice president of the Maryland Pharmacists Association. As vice president, she will also serve as president-elect and will become president in 2008. The association, which has its headquarters on the University campus, is the only statewide professional society representing all practicing pharmacists.

**Bruce Stuart, PhD**, professor and executive director of the Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging at the School of Pharmacy, is one of three new members of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, which advises Congress on Medicare issues.

### SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK



**Richard P. Barth, PhD, MSW**, dean, delivered the presentation “Youth With Mental Health Problems Entering Child Welfare Services” at a recent

meeting of the National Association of Public Child Welfare Administrators. Barth also presented an overview this summer of the National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-Being during the Brookings Institution’s Child and Parent Training programs.

Barth also co-wrote the article “Changes in Family Functioning and Child Behavior Following Intensive In-home Therapy,” published recently in the *Children and Youth Services Review*.



**Banghwa Casado, PhD, MSW**, assistant professor, co-wrote the article “Healthy Ideas: A Depression Intervention Delivered by

Community-based Case Managers Serving Older Adults” in a recent issue of the *Journal of Applied Gerontology*.


**Geoffrey Greif, DSW, MSW**, professor, co-wrote the article “Unresolved Loss: Issues in Working With Adults Whose Siblings Were Kidnapped Years Ago” in the June issue of the *American Journal of Family Therapy*.

### OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

**Reba Cornman, MSW, LCSW-C**, director of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Education and Research Program in the Office of Academic Affairs, has been elected president of the Maryland Gerontological Association, a statewide organization for professionals in the field of aging. Cornman is serving a two-year term.

### ATHLETIC CENTER

**Bill Crockett**, director of the Athletic Center, has been appointed vice chair of operations of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association’s foundation board. The association promotes high-quality recreational programs, facilities, and services for diverse populations.



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# Honored Employee Retires

CHRIS ZANG

Carol Kozimor had her guard up. A week from retirement after seven-plus years as office coordinator in the School of Medicine's Department of Microbiology and Immunology, she anticipated a "surprise" going-away party.

"I had been working on our faculty candidate search with my chairman, Dr. James Kaper, and Dr. Abdu Azad, a senior faculty member. It was discussed that materials were needed from an office on the fourth floor of HSF II and I

should accompany Dr. Azad to his office there, which I did. I could see folks gathered in the fourth-floor lobby and I began to realize something was up when I saw Dr. Kaper standing there, sort of waiting for me.

"Then I saw President Ramsay and I could not figure out what was going on. It really was a total shock."

Ramsay was joining in on Kozimor's send-off to give her a special award. Happy retirement, Carol, and congratulations on being named the University's Employee of the Month for July.

Donna Bower, microbiology and immunology administrator, and

Kozimor's supervisor, says the recognition was long overdue. In a letter nominating Kozimor for the award, Martin Flajnik, PhD, professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, wrote that Kozimor "has gone above and beyond job expectations—I know of no one else at UMB who can wear so many

hats and perform so well." Besides providing front office and secretarial support, Flajnik wrote that Kozimor organized a weekly seminar series and made arrangements for an annual endowed seminar.

Kozimor, whose husband,

Ken, is the University's manager of utilities and energy management, says she is grateful to have had a job she enjoyed so much. "I would meet one visiting researcher every week of the school year. They would come from all over the world and were so interesting," she says. "And then there are the people in Micro. They're all special to me and the students are close to my heart."

So are her six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, whom she hopes to see a lot more of now that she is retired. Volunteer work also is a possibility. "I am hoping to give back to others some of the many blessings I have been given," she says.



David J. Ramsay greets Carol Kozimor with July's Employee of the Month Award as James Kaper (right) and co-workers look on.

JENNIFER MAULDER

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## MCC from page 1

Although he says he has been urged not to set the bar too high and risk disappointment, DeLooze refuses to budge from the half-million-dollar goal in what he says will probably be his last campaign as chair.

"We were between \$100,000 and \$200,000 when I took over, and it's been up, up, up every year, sometimes by a few dollars, sometimes by tens of thousands like last year.

"This is one of the projects that allows the whole campus to come together as one. I'm confident that our faculty and staff will respond," says DeLooze, who adds that supporters will be rewarded with a thank-you breakfast in Westminster Hall from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Dec. 5.

Information about MCC and pledge cards will be distributed to faculty and staff soon after the University's campaign begins. Students can also participate by contacting an MCC coordinator through the dean's office of their School, or by contacting DeLooze at 6-7569 or [ddelooze@af.umaryland.edu](mailto:ddelooze@af.umaryland.edu).

## Informatics from page 2

Judy Ozbolt, PhD, RN, FAAN, conference chair, professor, and program director of the School of Nursing's Nursing Informatics (NI) program, says the conference was "a grand success."

"We've set a new standard here, and next year will be even better," says Ozbolt, who received during the summer a three-year grant of more than \$950,000 for her study of diversity among the NI work force.

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## State Senator Named to USM Government Relations Post

ANNE MOULTRIE

State Sen. Patrick J. "P.J." Hogan was appointed this summer as associate vice chancellor for government relations for the University System of Maryland (USM).

Hogan served in the Maryland Senate for 13 years, where he chaired the Budget and Taxation Subcommittee on Education, Business, and Administration. He was also chair of the State Commission to Develop the Maryland Model for Funding Higher Education, the Joint Technology Oversight Committee, and the Senate's Montgomery County delegation. Hogan left the General Assembly on Aug. 10.

"P.J. Hogan has been an avid and effective supporter of the University System of Maryland and higher education," said William E. Kirwan, PhD, USM chancellor, in announcing the appointment. "He has been a strong advocate for adequate state funding for higher education generally and the university system in particular. His leadership has had a significant impact on USM in several areas, including the increased priority higher education has received in Annapolis, state support for enrollment growth funding, investments in new program development, and funding for work force development."

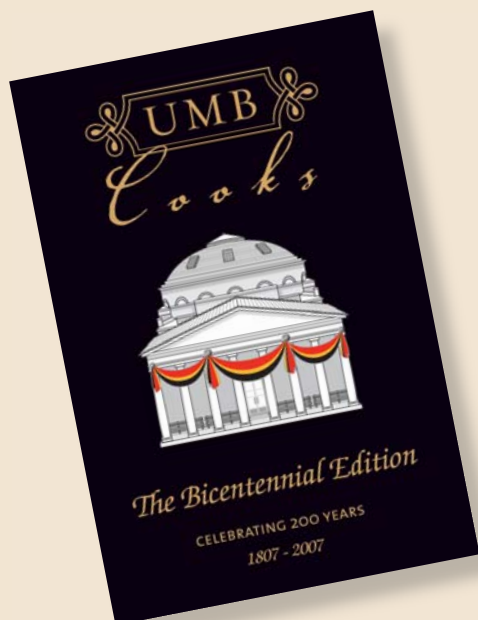
As USM's associate vice chancellor for government relations, Hogan is the chief advisor to Kirwan and the USM Board of Regents on governmental relations policies and strategies.



Patrick Hogan

He will develop the system's legislative agenda and implement strategies to present the agenda to elected officials. He will also chair USM's State Relations Council, which is made up of government relations officers from the system's 13 institutions.

"In my 13 years of service in the Maryland Senate, I have developed a passion for higher education," Hogan says. "This new position will give me the opportunity to devote all of my energies and talents to helping the University System of Maryland grow as one of the world's preeminent public university systems. I am committed to ensuring that Marylanders have access to excellent and affordable higher education opportunities."



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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Knapp Honored at National Mall

David A. Knapp, PhD, who retired as dean of the School of Pharmacy during the summer, will be honored with an engraved granite marker at the new American Pharmacists Association building, which is being built on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner, PharmD, BCPS, CDE, chair of the School of Pharmacy's Department of Pharmacy Practice and Sciences, announced the placement of the marker—a gift from the School—during a farewell reception for Knapp. The marker will include Knapp's name and the dates of his tenure as dean.

Speakers Praise University IT Strategies

Two nationally renowned information technology (IT) experts who spoke on campus recently praised the University's strategies for advancing its communications infrastructure and technology, and for strengthening IT security.

Michael Staman, EdD, Peyton Anderson professor in information technology at Macon State College in Georgia, spoke about the evolution of communications networks to carry voice, data, and video, and said the University's Communications Infrastructure Strategy—including the strategy's initial implementations—is current with those of the country's most sophisticated campuses.

Steve Worona, director of policy and networking programs at EDUCAUSE, a nonprofit association that promotes effective use of information technology in higher education, discussed the need for proof of identity from all campus IT users

who access sensitive or critical data. He said the University recently adopted a Directory/Authentication Strategy that positions the campus well to move forward in that area.

More information on these strategies is available at [www.umaryland.edu/cits/plan\\_strategy.html](http://www.umaryland.edu/cits/plan_strategy.html).

Panel Sessions Offered on Sponsored-Projects Administration

University research administrators are serving as panelists during sessions for administrators and faculty on the basics and best practices of administering grants and contracts.

A total of 12 sessions beginning in September and ending next June cover a broad range of topics. The sessions are presented by the Office of Research and Development.

For more information, including fees and how to register, visit [www.ord.umaryland.edu/admin\\_updates\\_issues/calendar.html#Guide](http://www.ord.umaryland.edu/admin_updates_issues/calendar.html#Guide).

Free Library Workshops Presented

Free workshops offered this semester by the Health Sciences and Human Services Library cover a variety of topics including patient health literacy and the consent process, evidence-based health care, how to use LexisNexis, and how to find scholarly information on the Internet. The courses are available to faculty, staff, and students.

For a workshop schedule and to register, visit [www.hshsl.umaryland.edu/services/fall2007.html#cited](http://www.hshsl.umaryland.edu/services/fall2007.html#cited). For more information, call 6-7996 or send an e-mail to [hshsl@umaryland.edu](mailto:hshsl@umaryland.edu).

UMBF Elects New Trustee

Outstanding financial expertise and a dedication to public service are attributes that newly elected Kempton Ingersol brings to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maryland Baltimore Foundation, Inc. (UMBF).

Ingersol is a managing director and senior portfolio manager for Brown Capital Management, Inc., an institutional investment management firm in Baltimore. Before joining Brown Capital Management in 1999, Ingersol was a vice president in the investment banking division (public finance) for RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. in Dallas. He earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Amherst College and an MBA in finance from the University of Michigan.

Ingersol serves as a mentor for the Turning the Corner Achievement Program, which provides support for sixth- and seventh-grade students and their families at the Living Classroom Foundation's Crossroads School. The

school serves children from poverty-stricken neighborhoods of East Baltimore.

"Kempton's exceptional financial expertise is a welcome and needed addition to the UMBF Board of Trustees," says T. Sue Gladhill, MSW, UMBF's president and chief executive officer, and the University's vice president for external affairs.

Created in 2000, the UMB Foundation is a group of influential leaders who are dedicated to advancing the goals of the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB). The Board provides valuable advice to the University's president, David J. Ramsay, DM, DPhil, on matters affecting UMB's campus, its programs, and the community it serves. The Board promotes UMB through advocacy and by enlisting financial support, and it manages and invests gifts and property for the benefit of UMB.

NEW SHUTTLE HOURS AND ROUTE

The Ride UMB shuttle hours and route have changed. The new hours of operation are 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, and the route is now incorporated into the new BioPark/Central Campus shuttle route.

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**Sept. 12-16:** One Card, One Dollar Week for University staff at the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry. \$1 admission for employees and their family members. [www.dentalmuseum.org](http://www.dentalmuseum.org).

**Sept. 19-Oct. 24:** “What Every Maryland Criminal Defense Attorney Should Know About Immigration,” a six-week course co-sponsored by the Small Firm Practice: Immigration Clinic at the School of Law. Attendance at each session is required. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Montgomery County Office of the Public Defender, Rockville, free. For more information or to register, visit [www.law.umaryland.edu/conference\\_detail.asp?conf=54](http://www.law.umaryland.edu/conference_detail.asp?conf=54)

or contact Teresa Barrett at [tbarrett@law.umaryland.edu](mailto:tbarrett@law.umaryland.edu) or 6-0589.

**Sept. 25:** “The Academic Scientist as Entrepreneur: A Conflict of Interest?” Part of the Office of Research and Development’s Invention to Venture seminar series, the presentation examines how conflict of interest concerns affect collaborations between academic research institutions and technology companies. Speaker: Joseph Giffels, MAS, assistant vice president of academic affairs at the University. Noon, Gladhill Boardroom, Health Sciences and Human Services Library.

**Sept. 25:** State of the School of Medicine Address, delivered by E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA, vice president for medical affairs at the University of Maryland, John Z. and Akiko K. Bowers Distinguished Professor, and dean of the School of Medicine. 3 p.m., Medical School Teaching Facility auditorium, an hors d’oeuvre reception follows in the building’s atrium. Free; all faculty, staff, and students are welcome.

**Sept. 29:** Home-School Day at the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of

Dentistry. Home-schooled children ages 5 to 9 learn healthy dental habits, and ages 10 to 14 explore scientific advances in dentistry. A museum tour, crafts, and activities are included. \$3, one adult per family free. Reservations required—call 6-9599.

**Oct. 2:** Edmunds Lecture, delivered by Dana Weinberg, PhD, assistant professor, Queens College, City University of New York, and author of *Code Green: Money-Driven Hospitals and the Dismantling of Nursing*. 4-5:30 p.m., School of Nursing auditorium, free and open to all. For more information, call 6-3767 or visit [www.nursing.umaryland.edu/events](http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/events).

**Oct. 9-11:** Founders Week events (see page 2).

**Oct. 23:** “What Needs To Be in a Product Submission: An FDA Reviewer’s Perspective.” Part of the Office of Research and Development’s Invention to Venture seminar series, the program examines how to speed up approval by the Food and Drug Administration of drugs, biologics, and devices. Noon, Gladhill Boardroom, Health Sciences

and Human Services Library. For more information, contact Ruchika Nijhara at [rnijh001@umaryland.edu](mailto:rnijh001@umaryland.edu).

**Oct. 29:** “Clinical Application of Genomics,” presented at the Third Annual Symposium on Translational Research in Molecular Pathology, organized by the School of Medicine’s Division of Molecular Pathology in the Department of Pathology. Keynote speaker: J. Craig Venter, PhD, chair of the J. Craig Venter Institute board of directors. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (lunch provided), reception 4-6 p.m., Davidge Hall. Free but seating is limited and registration is encouraged—contact Melinda Tillman at 6-6300 or [mtillman@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:mtillman@som.umaryland.edu).

**Nov. 14:** “Foreign Aid: Do No Harm,” the Dean’s Distinguished Virginia Lee Franklin Lecture, delivered by Laurie Garrett, author of *Betrayal of Trust: The Collapse of Global Public Health*. 4-5:30 p.m., School of Nursing auditorium, a reception follows in the School’s lobby. Free and open to all. For more information, call 6-3767 or visit [www.nursing.umaryland.edu/events](http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/events).

Army Nurses Help Ease Faculty Shortage

PATRICIA ADAMS

An innovative partnership between the School of Nursing and the U.S. Army Nurse Corps (ANC) is helping to address the School’s faculty shortage. The pilot program calls for up to eight ANC officers to be engaged as undergraduate nursing faculty, at no cost to the School, for a maximum of two academic years. The first six ANC nurse educators began teaching this semester. The School of Nursing is providing formal faculty orientation and training for the ANC faculty members, who will also have free access to programs at the School.

“This pilot program with the University of Maryland School of Nursing is important for three reasons,” says Maj. Gen. Gale Pollock, MBA, MHA, MS, CRNA, RN, FACHE, BSN, a School of Nursing alumna and acting Army surgeon general and commander, Army Medical Command.

“First, the nursing shortage is exacerbated by a lack of faculty,” says Pollock. “In my view, Army nurses are the best in our military and we can help address that national faculty shortage. Second, these Army nurses will be role models for student nurses who want to serve with the best, so it will assist us with recruiting. Third, many of the nurses in the ANC want to teach and serve as faculty.



Army Nurse Corps officers from left: Lt. Richard Knowlton Jr., Lt. Doris Reeves, Maj. Beth Pettit-Willis, and Maj. Gen. Gale Pollock; from right: Maj. Thomas Sawyer, Capt. Clausyl Plummer, and Maj. Sarah Williams-Brown. In the center are Dean Janet D. Allan and University President David J. Ramsay.

Therefore, an option like this helps me retain these excellent nurses as well.”

“Faculty shortages across the nation are limiting student capacity,” says Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing. “This mutually beneficial program will help us tackle our faculty shortage, allow us to continue educating large numbers of undergraduate students, and help the Army enhance officer training. It is a win-win situation for both parties.”

The School of Nursing has a long history of preparing military nurses, having graduated more than 1,200 over many decades. In 1964, the School launched the Walter Reed Army Institute of Nursing

program, from which Pollock graduated in 1976.

“We need to empower men and women to consider nursing by providing them with the education and the resources they need to do their jobs. It’s essential for our hospitals and it’s essential for our patients,” says Sen. Barbara Mikulski, a longtime champion of nursing. “This relationship between the U.S. Army and the School of Nursing demonstrates the importance of our nurses and nurse educators to the military and to the nation as a whole. I’m so proud of the University of Maryland School of Nursing for once again showing creativity and vision in establishing this world-class program.”

Thanks for a Successful Readers Survey

The response to the VOICE readers survey in the spring was tremendous. Thanks to all the faculty, staff, and students who participated, and congratulations to the prize winners: Karen Hopkins, PhD, at the School of Social Work, who won a University of Maryland, Baltimore sweatshirt, and Shauna Acquavita from the School of Medicine and Aphrodite Bodycomb at the Health Sciences and Human Services Library, who each won copies of the *UMB Cooks* cookbook. Each winner was chosen at random from the survey respondents.

More than 80 percent of the respondents said they are pleased with the VOICE, especially the full-color format that was launched in January. There were also many great suggestions for improvements, including a revamping of the Laurels section that begins in this issue (see page 4). Additional improvements will be implemented in future issues—so keep reading!

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